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CONFIRMATION NO. 6456

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Date Mailed: 01/22/2002

# NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

### FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
   Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay, the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$270.
  - \$18 for 1 total claims over 20.
  - \$252 for 3 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
  - A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1140.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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PATENT 51270-277027

# IN THE CAPPLED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Toru HIRAI, et al.

Serial No.: 10/025,179

Filed:

December 19, 2001

For: PICKED-UP-SOUND REPRODUCING METHOD

AND APPARATUS

Art Unit: 2643

Examiner: Not yet assigned

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Customer Service Center, Initial Patent Examination Division, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington D.C. 20231, on May 30, 2002.

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# RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

Customer Service Center Initial Patent Examination Division Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

#### Dear Sir:

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, Filing Date Granted," dated January 22, 2002, response to which was due March 22, 2002, enclosed are the following:

- X A copy of the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted".
- X A "Declaration and Power of Attorney" executed by the inventor(s).
- X An "Assignment" document executed by the inventor(s), along with an Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet and a check in the amount of \$40.00.

- X A check in the amount of \$740.00% cover the filing fee.
- X A check in the amount of \$18.00 to cover the fee for one (1) claim in excess of twenty.
- X A check in the amount of \$252.00 to cover the fee for three (3) independent claims in excess of three.
- X A check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the surcharge for late Declaration.
- X A Petition for extension of time to respond to the Notice of Missing Parts for three (3) months.
- X A check in the amount of \$920.00 to cover the petition fee for extension of time for three (3) months.
- X Fifteen (15) sheets of formal drawings (Figures 1 to 16) with appropriate margins as required in the Notice of Missing Parts.
- X A Request for Corrected Filing Receipt.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in payment or credit any overpayment in connection with this matter to our Deposit Account No. 16-1805. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Office of Initial Patent Examination In re PATENT APPLICATION OF ATTENTION: **Customer Service Center** Inventor(s): Toru HIRAI, et al. JUN 1 1 2002 Appln. No.: 10 | 025,179 COPY OF PAPERS Serial No Series Code ↑ ORIGINALLY FILED Filed: December 19, 2001 Title: PICKED-UP-SOUND REPRODUCING METHOD Date: May 30, 2002 Asst. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 202031 Sir. REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT 1. Attached is a copy of the official filing receipt from the PTO in the above application for which issuance of a corrected filing receipt is respectfully requested.

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**Foreign Applications** 

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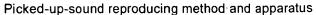
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